

Maine Revised Statutes
Title 19-A: DOMESTIC RELATIONS
Chapter 61: MAINE PARENTAGE ACT

§1915. ADJUDICATION OF PARENTAGE BASED ON GENETIC TESTING

1. Parentage based on genetic testing. If the court adjudicates parentage based on genetic testing, the following apply.

A. Unless the results of genetic testing are admitted to rebut other results of genetic testing:

(1) If genetic testing results pursuant to section 1904 exclude a person as the genetic parent of a child, the court shall find that person is not a genetic parent of the child and may not adjudicate the person as the child's parent on the basis of genetic testing; and

(2) If genetic testing results pursuant to section 1904 identify a person as the genetic parent of a child, the court shall find that person to be the genetic parent and may adjudicate the person as the child's parent, unless otherwise provided by this chapter. [2015, c. 296, Pt. A, §1 (NEW); 2015, c. 296, Pt. D, §1 (AFF).]

B. If the court finds that genetic testing under section 1904 neither identifies nor excludes a person as the genetic parent of a child, the court may not dismiss the proceeding. In that event, the results of genetic testing and other evidence are admissible to adjudicate the issue of parentage. [2015, c. 296, Pt. A, §1 (NEW); 2015, c. 296, Pt. D, §1 (AFF).]

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2. Inadmissible evidence. Testimony relating to sexual relations or possible sexual relations of the woman giving birth at a time other than the probable time of conception of the child is inadmissible in evidence.

[2015, c. 296, Pt. A, §1 (NEW); 2015, c. 296, Pt. D, §1 (AFF) .]

3. Adjudication consistent with this chapter. An adjudication of parentage based on genetic testing is subject to the requirements and limitations of this chapter.

[2015, c. 296, Pt. A, §1 (NEW); 2015, c. 296, Pt. D, §1 (AFF) .]

SECTION HISTORY

2015, c. 296, Pt. A, §1 (NEW). 2015, c. 296, Pt. D, §1 (AFF).

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